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The Sound of Silence

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In-person from the Hewett Centre and Sanctuary – December 29, 2024



Regular Office Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 am to 2 pm

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WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY?

9 am: Chi Gong / Meditation (Meditation Room)

10:45/11 am – 12:15 pm: Children's Group/Crossing Paths (Lindsey-Priestley/Hitschmanova)

11 am: Sunday Service (Sanctuary)

12 pm: Coffee Hour (Hall)

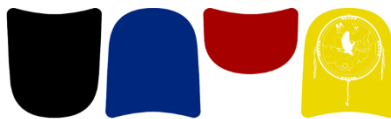
1 pm: VanU Youth (Hitschmanova)

Please note that the VanU office is closed until the New Year (January 2) to give our wonderful staff a well-deserved break!

WANT TO LIGHT A CANDLE?

Silent candles can be lit anytime at the front of the Sanctuary. Community Candles are read from the book of Joys & Concerns in the Foyer and from the Live Chat on YouTube during the service. Requests for candles can also be submitted in advance at <https://vanu.ca/candles> (before 9 am Sunday). A candle with an orange ribbon is always lit during our worship services in remembrance of the countless indigenous children who died at residential schools, the survivors and their families.

TODAY'S OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND RECIPIENT



URBAN NATIVE YOUTH ASSOCIATION

Our current Outreach Opportunities Fund (OOF) recipient is the **Urban Native Youth Association (UNYA)**.

UNYA strives to support Indigenous youth by providing a diverse continuum of advocacy, preventative and support services that respond to their immediate and long-term needs. Today, UNYA delivers 20+ programs with 175+ volunteers, 100 staff, and more than 300 community partners. For more information about UNYA, please see unya.bc.ca. For more information about the Outreach Opportunities Fund, visit: vanu.ca/oof

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP: 11:00AM, DECEMBER 29, 2024

Please note that this week's service will begin in the Hewett Centre.

Welcome

Entering Silence

Silent Procession

Kindling the Chalice Flame (*Fire & Transformation*)

Music (*Air & Adaptability*)

Stone (*Earth & Weight*)

Cedar (*Life & Hope*)

Giving Communion (*Water & Cleansing*)

Greeting Each Other (*Humanity & Caring*)

Leaving Silence

Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Valediction

*Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again
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VANCOUVER UNITARIANS MINISTER & STAFF

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Karen Bartlett, Laureen Stokes

MINISTER EMERITUS

Rev. Dr. Steven Epperson

The flowers this week have been provided by **Chris Pearce**.

The artwork on display in the Sanctuary has been provided by **Hilda Gerson**.



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